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and

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the Year 1971

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BRYNMAWR URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Chairman	...	I. NASH.
Vice-Chairman	...	D.G. MORGAN.
Chairman of Public Health and Housing Committee		H. MORRIS.

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

North-Eastern Ward

W. J. Jones
I. Nash
D.C. Williams

South-Eastern Ward

W.M. Griffiths J.P.,
W. Perry
W. Bond Williams.

Central Ward

Western Ward

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G. Davies M.M.,
D. Williams
R. Williams

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H. Morris
G. Phillips.

Southern Ward

C. Sheehy
C. James
D.G. Morgan
Mrs. W. Grubb, J.P.,

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

R.G. WILKINSON, A.I.M.T.A., F.R.E.A.,
From NOVEMBER, 1971 T. G. JONES, Clerk of the Council.
R. W. SMITH, Chief Financial Officer.

SURVEYOR

C.H. DEWSON, F.F.S., M.INST.B.E., M.R.S.H.,

STATISTICS

Area of district	...	...	1,454 acres
Population(estimated) Mid 1971...	...	...	5,990
Population per acre	...	...	4.1
Rateable Value as at 1st April 1971	...	...	£160,539
Number of Live Births	...	...	74
Birth rate per 1000 Inhabitants(crude)	...	...	12.4
Number of Stillbirths	...	...	3
Stillbirths rate per 1000 total births	...	...	39.0
Number of Deaths	...	...	72
Deaths Rate per 1000 Inhabitants(crude)	...	...	12.0
Number of Infant Deaths (under 1 year(	...	...	1
Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 Live Births	...	...	14.0
Perinatal Mortality Rate	...	....	52.0
Number of Infectious Diseases notified	...	...	123
Infectious Diseases : -			
Attack Rate per 1000 Inhabitants	...	...	20.5

Tuberculosis

Cases Notified	...	...	2
Attack Rate per 1000 Inhabitants	...	...	0.34
Deaths	...	...	1
Death Rate per 1000 Inhabitants	...	...	0.17

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my report on the sanitary conditions and the state of the Public Health in the Brynmawr Urban District during the year 1971.

In this report I have endeavoured to deal briefly with all matters within my responsibility regarding Public Health and Preventive Medicine, and I have included comments on the subjects specifically requested in Circular 1/72 (Wales), by the Welsh Office, Health and Social Work Department.

I wish to tender my thanks to the Members of the Council for their helpful consideration and co-operation in all matters affecting Public Health. Also the Officers of the Council for their help in all matters appertaining to the duties of the Public Health Department.

I am,
Mr. Chairman and Members,
Your Obedient Servant,

J. K. JONES,
L.M.S.S.A., D.P.H., F.R.S.H.,

STATISTICS OF THE AREA

POPULATION

Census	1931	...	7,285
	1951	...	6,434
	1961	...	6,471
	1971	...	5,990

The Registrar General's mid year estimated population for each of the last ten years are shown below:-

<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
6,420	6,400	6,410	6,370	6,330	6,310	6,610
	<u>1969</u>		<u>1970</u>		<u>1971</u>	
	6,530		6,470		5,990	

ACREAGE ... 1,454 acres.

Rateable Value as at 1st April, 1971 ... £160539

<u>Product of a Penny Rate</u>	Actual	1970/71	...	£1.45900
		1971/72	...	£1.45000

<u>Rate in the Pound</u>	Actual	1970/71	...	18/4
		1971/72	...	£1.07½

Water Rate ... 10p in the £

Total Number of Domestic Dwellings ... 2215

Number of Council Houses/Flats ... 951

BIRTHS

BIRTHS	BRYNMAWR UDC			B.C.C	National Average
	Male	Female	Total		
Live Births : Legitimate	38	33	71	692	
: Illegitimate	1	2	3	32	
Total Live Births	39	35	74	724	
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of Total Live Births			4.0	4.0	8.0
Registrar General's Comparability Factor			1.02	1.11	
Live Birth Rate per 1000 Pop.(crude)			12.4	13.7	
Live Birth Rate per 1000 Pop.(corr)			<u>12.6</u>	<u>15.2</u>	<u>16.0</u>
Stillbirths - Legitimate	3	0	3	8	
Illegitimate	0	0	0	0	
Total Stillbirths	3	0	3	8	
Stillbirth rate per 1000 live and Stillbirths			<u>39.0</u>	<u>11.0</u>	<u>12.0</u>
Total Live and Stillbirths			77	732	

The corrected Live Birth Rate of 12.6 was below the National Average of 16.0 per 1000 population and below the National rate for the sixth successive year. It was, however, just higher than the local death rate of 12.0 per 1000 population. The Stillbirth rate of 39.0 was much higher than the National Average of 12.0 per 1000 Total Births.

The corrected Live Birth rates for the past five years are shown below: -

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
BRYNMAWR U.D.C.	14.9	15.4	12.3	13.7	12.6
National Average	17.2	16.9	16.3	16.0	16.0

DEATHS

DEATHS	BRYNMAWR U.D.C			B.C.C.	National Average
	Male	Female	Total		
Total Death (all causes)	45	27	72	741	
Death Rate per 1000 Pop.(crude)			12.0	14.0	
Registrar General's Comparability Factor			0.93	0.89	
Death Rate per 1000 Pop. (corr)			<u>11.2</u>	<u>12.5</u>	<u>11.6</u>
<u>Cancer Deaths</u>					
Cancer Deaths (all forms)	6	3	9	107	
Cancer Deaths:					
Rate per population			<u>1.50</u>	<u>2.02</u>	
<u>Maternal Mortality</u>					
Maternal Deaths (including abortion)			Nil	Nil	
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 Live and Stillbirths			Nil	Nil	

The corrected local death rate of 11.2 was below the National average of 11.6 per 1000 population and below the local Birth rate of 12.6 per 1000 population.

The corrected death rate for the past five years are shown below: -

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
BRYNMAWR U.D.C.	11.6	11.4	14.0	12.9	11.2
National Average	11.8	11.9	11.9	11.7	11.6

DEATHS FROM MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS

There were 9 Cancer Deaths, giving a rate per 100,000 population of 150 as compared with the County rate of 202.

The rates by specific site are shown below: -

SITE	Rate per 100,000 Population BRYNMAWR U.D.C.	National Average 1969
Lungs, Bronchus	17	61
Stomach	50	26
Intestine	17	33
Oesophagus	0	6
Breast	0	42
Uterus	0	15
Prostate	17	17
Leukaemia	0	6
All Others	50	0

The Death rate for Cancer of the Stomach was almost double the National Average for 1969.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

There were no deaths from Maternal causes, including abortion.

INFANT MORTALITY

DEATHS	BRYNMAWR U.D.C			B.C.C	National Average
	<u>Male Female Total</u>				
Death of Infants under 1 year of Age :					
Legitimate	0	1	1	13	
Illegitimate	0	0	0	2	
Total	0	1	1	15	
Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 Live Births (total)			14.0	21.0	18.0
Legitimate			14.0	19.0	17.0
Illegitimate			0	63.0	24.0
<u>Neonatal Mortality</u>					
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of Age :					
Legitimate	0	1	1	7	
Illegitimate	0	0	0	0	
Total :	0	1	1	7	
Neonatal Mortality Rate. per 1000 Live Births			14.0	10.0	12.0
<u>Early Neonatal Mortality</u>					
Death of Infants under 1 week of Age :					
Legitimate	0	1	1	5	
Illegitimate	0	0	0	0	
Total :	0	1	1	5	
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate Per 1000 Live Births			14.0	7.0	10.0
<u>Perinatal Mortality Rate</u>					
Death of Infants under 1 week of age plus number of Stillbirths Rate per 1000 Total Live and Stillbirths			52.0	18.0	22.0

There was one infant death during 1971, giving an Infant Mortality rate of 14.0 which was below the National Average of 18.0 per 1000 Live Births.

There were 3 Stillbirths and one Infant death in the first week of life giving a Perinatal Mortality rate of 52.0 which was over double the National rate of 22.0.

Cause of Infant Death

1. Prematurity
22 Weeks Gestation.

Causes of Stillbirths

1. Macerated Foetus
Mild Eclampsia
2. Cause Unknown,
Maceration.
3. Foetal Asphyxia
Ante Partum Haemorrhage

The Infant Mortality Rates and Perinatal Mortality Rates for the past five years are shown below and compared with the National Average : -

INFANT MORTALITY

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
BRYNMAWR U.D.C.	11.0	30.0	25.0	23.0	14.0
National Average	18.3	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0

PERINATAL MORTALITY

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
BRYNMAWR U.D.C.	22.0	48.1	37.0	34.0	52.0
National Average	25.4	25.0	23.0	23.0	22.0

CAUSES OF DEATH

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	1	0	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	1	2	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	1	0	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	1	0	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	1	0	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	2	1	3
Diabetes Mellitus	2	1	3
Other Endocrine etc, Diseases	2	0	2
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	1	2
Hypertensive Disease	0	1	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease	17	8	25
Other Forms of Heart Disease	3	2	5
Cerebrovascular Disease	6	5	11
Other Disease of Circulatory System	0	3	3
Bronchitis and Emphysema	3	0	3
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	2	0	2
Other Diseases of Digestive System	1	0	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	0	1	1
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	0	1	1
All Other Accidents	1	1	2
Total All Causes :	<u>45</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>72</u>

The main causes of death are shown below and the death rates compared with the National Average for 1969 : -

CRUDE DEATH RATES PER 100,000 FROM CERTAIN CAUSES

	BRYNMAYR URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL	NATIONAL AVERAGE 1969
Ischaemic Heart Disease	418	286
Cerebrovascular Disease	184	163
Malignant Neoplasms	150	238
Pneumonia & Bronchitis	83	148
All Accidents	34	48

NUMBER OF BIRTHS IN SEX-AGE GROUPS

Ages at Death	Male	Female	Total	Percentage of Total
0 - 1 Years	0	1	1	1.4
1 - 4	0	0	0	0
5 -14	0	0	0	0
15 -24	0	1	1	1.4
25 -34	1	0	1	1.4
35 -44	0	0	0	0
45 -54	3	0	3	4.2
55 -64	9	2	11	15.2
65 -74	13	9	22	30.4
75 Years and Over	19	14	33	46.0
	45	27	72	100.0

76% of the deaths occurred at the age of 65 years and over.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

NOTIFICATIONS

The following cases, other than Tuberculosis, were notified during 1971 : -

<u>Diseases</u>		<u>Number of Cases</u>
Measles	...	112
Infective Hepatitis	...	8
Scarlet Fever	...	1

TUBERCULOSIS

Cases on Register at 1st January 1971	...	11
New Notifications during 1971	...	2
Removals during 1971	...	3
Cases on Register at 31st December 1971	...	10

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, S.172

No action was taken under this section which deals with the removal to Hospital by the Local Authority of infectious persons suffering from Tuberculosis, of the Respiratory tract.

PUBLIC HEALTH(PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS

No action was taken under these Regulations in respect of persons suffering from Tuberculosis, employed in the Milk Trade.

B.C.G. VACCINATION AND TUBERCULIN SERIAL TESTING OF CHILDREN

This is carried out by the Medical Staff of the County Health Department.

FOOD POISONING

There were no cases of suspected Food Poisoning notified during the year.

DYSENTERY

There were no cases of Dysentery notified during the year.

TYPHOID AND PARATYPHOID

No cases of Typhoid or Paratyphoid were notified during the year.

VENEREAL DISEASES

There were no cases notified during the year.

The County Council has an agreement with the Regional Hospitals Board for the treatment of these cases, there are no treatment centres in the area and patients attend at Swansea Mount Pleasant Hospital, Hereford County Hospital, Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, and Moira Terrace Cardiff. Tracing of contacts and the following up of defaulters is the responsibility of the County Council.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.S.47

No action was taken by the Council under S.47 of the above Act which provides for the removal to suitable premises of persons who : -

- (a) are suffering from grave chronic disease, or, being aged, or physically incapacitated, or living in insanitary conditions,
and
- (b) are unable to devote to themselves and are not receiving from other persons, proper care and attention.

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES

Public Health Officers

Laboratory Facilities

During the year facilities were available at the Public Health Laboratories at Newport.

All water samples were sent to the Public Health Laboratory at Newport, and Milk Samples were dealt with at Newport and Carmarthen.

Any investigations required in the control of infectious diseases were carried out at the Public Health Laboratory in Newport and Abergavenny.

COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES

(A) Health Services

The County Council are responsible for the following services in the area : -

1. Provision of Health Centres.
2. Care of Mothers and Young Children.
3. Midwifery Services.
4. Health Visiting and Health Education.
5. Home Nursing.
6. Vaccination and Immunisation.
7. Ambulance and Sitting Car Service.
8. Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care.
9. Domestic Help Service.

The following Clinics are held in the area : -

Child Welfare Clinics.

Immunisation against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus, Poliomyelitis and Measles.

Relaxation Clinics for Expectant Mothers.

Dental Clinics for Expectant Mothers and Children.

Supply of Welfare Foods.

Orthopaedic Clinics.

Chiropody Clinics,

Cervical Cytology Clinics.

Mental Health Services

Psychiatric Social Worker

Miss Gwen Morgan remained as the Psychiatric Social Worker for the area.

Mental Welfare Officer

Mr. T. V. Rees remained as the Mental Welfare Officer for the Area.

(B) WELFARE SERVICES

The County Council is responsible for the following services in the area : -

1. Provision of Homes for the Aged.
2. Provision of Temporary Accommodation.
3. Registration and Provision of Services for Handicapped Persons.
4. Contributions to the Old People's Organisations.
5. Temporary Protection of Property.
6. Meals on Wheels Services.
7. Provision of Grants towards Special Housing for the Elderly.
8. Welfare for the Blind and Partially-Sighted.
9. Welfare for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Hospitals.

Hospital facilities are available at Blaina, Ebbw Vale, and Tredegar, Merthyr Tydfil, Abergavenny and Newport.

Infectious Diseases Hospital

Cases are admitted to Allt-yr-yn Hospital, Newport.

Smallpox Hospitals

Arrangements have been made for Smallpox cases to be admitted to St. Mary's Hospital, Penarth, and for Consultants to be called in to suspected cases.

On diagnosing a case the Consultant will be responsible for arranging for St Mary's Hospital to be ready, staffed and to receive the patient.

The patient will be removed by the County Council under their Ambulance Scheme made under S.27 of the National Health Service Act, 1946.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

1. Water Supply

The district is supplied with water from an impounding reservoir known as Cairns Mound Reservoir, and situated about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-east of the Town. The supply can be augmented by pumping water into the Reservoir from the Ffynnon Gisfaen Springs at Clydach Valley.

The water is subject to slow sand filtration; three filter beds are provided.

The capacity of the reservoir is 19,295,000 gallons, but in all only 10,651,000 gallons of this is available at present because the water level is maintained 4 feet below top water level as a safety precaution pending repairs being carried out. The reliable out-put of the reservoir is estimated about 120,000 gallons per day, but for much of the year about 300,000 gallons per day can be abstracted.

Brynmawr is particularly fortunate in being able to supplement their reservoir water supply with pumping from the Ffynnon Gisfaen Springs.

The dry weather yield is 550,000 gallons per day. The 60 h.p. Sigmund Electric Pump and Motor which the Council installed in a Pump House sited over the Springs in July, 1956, gives maximum yield of 12,000 gallons per hour, pumping against a head of 640 ft. through a 6 inch main delivery pipe to the reservoir or to the Balancing Tank as required. The main leaving the reservoir is 7 inches in diameter.

Submersible pumps installed by the South East Breconshire Water Board at Ffynnon Gisfaen and at a temporary pump house at Graigddu now deliver water from the Ffynnon Gisfaen springs at a rate of 22,000 gallons per hour, the sigmund pump being kept in reserve in case of emergency.

On 1st April, 1959 the whole water undertaking was taken over by the South East Breconshire Water Supply Board, formed by four local authorities viz. Brecon Borough, The Urban District of Brynmawr, and the Rural Districts of Brecknock and Crickhowell. Each local authority being represented on the Board. Mr. K.F. Lewis, M.I.C.E., F.I.W.E., is now Clerk and Engineer to the Board.

Since the formation of the Water Board new works have been carried out at Brynmawr to improve the supply to the Town. These include the installation of a new pump at Ffynnon Gisfaen and Graigddu, the construction of an underground pumping station at Clydach Street, the construction of a 600,000 gallon reservoir at Fitzroy Street and new mains and control valves. The Town is now divided into two separate pressure zones to reduce excessive pressure in the lower parts and improve the supply to the higher parts of Brynmawr.

The Public Health Inspector takes periodical samples and these are submitted to the Public Health Laboratory at Newport for biological examination.

DRAINAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

2. The whole Town, with the exception of a few cottages situated in isolated part of the district is served by public sewers.

In some of the older parts of the Town, the sewers are brick built and have been in existence for a great many years. The system is combined, the sewers taking both foul sewage and storm water, the Bryn Farm Estate, Old Bryn Farm Estate and the new houses built in Aneurin Crescent are on the dual system, all surface water being excluded from the sewage system.

The sewage is purified at a Sewage Disposal Works owned by the Local Authority and the effluent discharged into the River Clydach. These Works were built in 1924.

In May, 1963, the Council applied to the Usk River Board, in accordance with Section 1 of the Rivers (prevention of Pollution) Act, 1961, for consent to discharged to the River Clydach a D.W.F. of 340.000 g.p.d. of fully treated sewage effluent from the Brynmawr Sewage Disposal Works. Following earlier discussions the Ministry of Housing and Local Government in November, 1964, suggested to the Council to consider a scheme to improve the treatment given at their Sewage Disposal Works.

In December, 1964, the River Board, sent to the Council a draft of the consent proposed, the principle conditions being the effluent should be of a Royal/Common 20/30 standard and there should be a dilution of not less than 8 to 1 in the receiving stream.

The maximum quantity of effluent which the River Board were prepared to accept at the existing effluent outfall in any weather was 64,000 g.p.d., and this fell short of the estimated dry flow of 340.000 g.p.d., being treated at the Works to say nothing of the expected future average in the D.W.F. In view of this the River Board suggested that :-

1. The provision of an authorised treatment plant to effect a much greater degree of purification, or,
2. Discharge the effluent to a point further down stream in the river where the flow would be sufficient to provide adequate dilution.

At about this time the Council had preliminary discussions with the Western Valley (Mon) Sewage Board about the probability of diverting to the latter trunk sewer about half of the sewage from Brynmawr.

In April, 1965, the Council engaged Consulting Engineers to advise them on the methods and apparatus at present being used for sewage treatment and disposal within the Urban Area.

As a result :

Continuous flow recording of sewage inflow to the Works and river flow are being made.

Investigations are still proceeding in the matter of Trade Effluents and it is expected that conditions on various discharges will be made at a future date.

The Northern Area Drainage Contract has now been completed. This has involved the duplication of Foul Water Sewers in many places and a new Surface Water Sewer has been laid. A French Drain for surface water laid behind Brynawel has alleviated the flooding in Clydach Street.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

3.

The Council operate a twice weekly collection of refuse from all parts of the Town, and a daily collection from the central sections of the Town, and disposal is by means of controlled tipping designed to level sites of disused workings of outcrop coal seams, which are numerous in the area.

In January 1956, the Council commenced tipping refuse on the site known as "The Patches" and this is the only site now used for this purpose.

Three Karrier Tippers are employed full time on refuse collection.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PEST ACT, 1949

4.

The work of rats and mice destruction has proceeded satisfactorily and has been carried out in accordance with the provisions of the above Act.

One maintenance treatment of the Town's sewers was completed during the year, carried out by Messrs. Rentokil Ltd., Cardiff.

The bait used was Fluoroacetamide. This is a most potent form of bait and there is a legal requirement that this has to be certified by the Medical Officer of Health.

The result of this bait proved most effective and considerably reduced the number of rat complaints.

INSPECTIONS

<u>Properties other than Sewers</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>	
	<u>Non Agricultural</u>	<u>Agricultural</u>
1. Number of properties in the district	2760	2
2. a. Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification.	151	-
b. Number infected by (i) Rats	140	-
(ii) Mice	11	-
3. a. Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	110	-
b. Number infested by (i) Rats	10	-
(ii) Mice	2	-
4. Sewers found to be infested	Nil	Nil

5. Surface Properties and Sewers

Council now have a contract with Messrs. Rentokil Ltd., to cover the Rodent Control Works.

6. Sewage Disposal Works

Treatment of the Town's sewers for the destruction of rats were followed by inspection and test baiting at the Sewage Disposal Plant. Several minor infestations responded to treatment at intervals.

7. Refuse Disposal Tip

Periodical inspection were made at the Refuse Tip. During the year treatments for the destruction of rats were successfully completed. The tip was rather heavily infested, but as a result of treatment, the infestation was cleared. However, regular inspections were continued to be made and any infestation immediately treated.

8. Surface Infestations

Every complaint of infestation by rats or mice was investigated, and surveys of the Town periodically carried out.

HOUSING PROGRAMME

Housing Position 1970

No. of Private Dwellings	...	2251
No. of Public Houses (and Dwellings).	...	18
No. of Council Houses and Flats. 1970/71	...	951
		<u>-----</u>
Total		<u>3220</u>
No. of Houses vacant as a result of action under the Housing Act, 1957	...	1
No. of Houses and Flats built by the Council in 1970/71	...	24
No. built by private builder	...	6
No. in course of construction at 31st December, 1971 :-		
(a) Council	Nil	
(b) Private	1	

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MEAT

There is one Slaughterhouse in the Urban District and details of animals slaughtered during 1971 are given below :-

JAN: FEB: MAR: APR: MAY: JUN: JUL & AUG: SEPT: OCT: NOV: DEC:

CATTLE	344	489	405	328	326	337	546	327	318	403	326
SHEEP	154	1307	590	531	920	1557	4170	2687	2479	2820	1560
PIGS	797	1280	989	856	816	895	1414	939	972	1181	1041
CALVE	10	11	12	4	-	-	6	8	-	5	-

MILK

The responsibility for registering dealers and taking milk samples is the County Council.

Milk Samples - Brucella Abortus

No. of samples of raw milk examined	...	Nil
No. of positive ring tests	...	Nil
No. of animal inoculations	...	Nil
No. of positive animal inoculations	...	Nil

Milk and Dairies (Special Designation) Regulations

There is only one processor of Milk within the Urban area. He holds a 'Dealers' Licence' issued by the County Council.

Inspection of Dairy

During the year visits were made to the Dairy for inspection of plant, utensils and premises. The trade is most co-operative in the question of clean milk production, and it was not necessary to resort to legal action in any instance.

FOOD PREMISES

During the year visits were made to retail food shops and premises where food is prepared, stored or deposited for the purpose of sale to the public.

The undermentioned is a list of such premises :-

Grocer	...	23
Greengrocers & Wet Fish Shops	...	5
Butchers	...	8
Restaurants & Cafes	...	5
Bakehouses	...	3
Canteens	...	5
Slaughterhouses	...	1
Fried Fish Shops	...	2

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1970

	Grocers	Greengrocer	Butchers	Restaurants and Cafes	Bakehouses	Canteens	Fried Fish Shops
No. of Premises	23	5	8	5	3	5	2
No. fitted to comply with Regulation 16.	23	5	8	5	3	5	2
No. to which Regulation 19 applies	0	0	8	5	3	5	2
No. fitted to comply with Regulation 19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

FOOD CONDEMNED

From January - December, 1971

Fresh Meat	-	201 lbs
Fruit	-	68 lbs; 54 tins.
Fish	-	68 pkts; 43 lbs.
Vegetables	-	32 tins; 28 lbs.

All condemned foods not returned through the wholesalers are disposed of at the local authority's refuse tip.

BYELAWS UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Byelaws for securing the observance of sanitary and cleanly conditions and practice in connection with the handling, wrapping and delivery of food are in operation in the Urban Area. It has not been necessary to take legal action as generally traders are co-operative in regard to a good standard of food hygiene.

ICE-CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT) REGULATIONS, 1959

There are 22 registered retailers of ice-cream within the Urban Area. They are supplied from the central depots of the large ice-cream companies.

All the premises in the district comply with the legislation and maintain a good standard of food hygiene.

At present there is one manufacturer of ice-cream operating in the district.

LICENSED PREMISES

All licensed premises in the district were inspected regularly and the standard of cleanliness was generally good.

Three informal notice were sent requiring certain defects to be remedied and the necessary works were carried out.

The number of licensed premises are given below:-

Public Houses	-	14
Licensed Clubs	-	3
Off-licensed	-	1

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Details of the administration of the Act is given below:-

	No. of Premises Newly Registered.	Total No. Registered at end of Year.	No. of Premises Inspected during Year.	No. of Persons employed.
Offices	1	13	4	37
Retail Shops	2	54	54	208
Wholesale Shops and Warehouses.	1	2	2	39
Catering Establishments and Canteens.	-	7	6	21
Fuel Storage Depots.	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	4	76	66	305

Total number of inspections made to Registered Premises ... 66

Total number of persons employed ... Males - 111 } .. 305
 Females - 194 }

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

There are no caravan sites within the district.

POULTRY INSPECTIONS

There are no poultry processing premises in the district.

FACTORIES ACT 1961

The following is a list of trades carried out in Factories within the Urban area during 1971 :-

	No. of Factories	Mechanical Power Used.	Mechanical Power Not Used.
Joinery	8	8	-
Mineral Water Manufacture	1	1	-
Motor Vehicle Repairs	10	9	1
Raincoat Manufacture	1	1	-
Boot Manufacture	1	1	-
Tufted Bedspreads	1	1	-
Slaughterhouse	1	1	-
Magnetic Tape (RCA)	1	1	-
TOTAL	24	23	1

There were no out-workers employed within the Brynmawr area during the year.

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of Brynmawr in the County of Brecknock.

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration
of the Factories Act, 1961

Part 1 of the Act

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

PREMISES (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1 2, 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	0	0	0	0
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	28	28	0	0
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	4	4	0	0
Totals :	32	32	0	0

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found (If defects are found at the premises on two, three or more occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more cases.)

PARTICULARS (1)	Number of cases in which defects were -				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To HM Inspector (4)	Referred by HM Inspector (5)	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S.2)	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable Temperature (S.3)	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate Ventilation (S.4)	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	0	0	0	0	0
(b) unsuitable/defective	0	0	0	0	0
(c) Not separate for Sexes	0	0	0	0	0
Other Offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	0	0	0	0	0

There was no out-work done in the district during the year.

